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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

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1. (Amended) A fluid system having a single source of pressurized  
supply fluid that receives fluid from a reservoir and being operable to control multiple loads,  
the fluid system comprising:  
a first fluid circuit connected to the single source of pressurized supply fluid  
and having a first directional control valve connected to a first fluid cylinder having head end  
and rod end ports, the first directional control valve having a supply inlet port connected to  
the single source of pressurized fluid, first and second outlet ports connected to the respective



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